

Glenda Wiles

From: David & Donna Glidewell [glidewell@montana.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 10, 2007 2:04 PM
To: Glenda Wiles
Cc: David Ohnstad
Subject: Re: Severe road problems - Middle Bear Creek Road

To date, I have not heard anything from anyone regarding this road and dust abatement problem. Today, there has been dozens of truck trips past my house on Middle Bear Creek Road. Much of the recently dust abatement treated road surface in front of my property is now covered - by dust and dirt. I would like some form of response from either the commissioners or the road supervisor.

Thanks and regards,
D. Glidewell
2040 Middle Bear Creek Road
Victor, MT

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----- Original Message -----

From: Glenda Wiles
To: David & Donna Glidewell
Cc: David Ohnstad
Sent: Thursday, July 05, 2007 8:54 AM
Subject: RE: Severe road problems - Middle Bear Creek Road

Received and will place in commissioners correspondence. Thanks. I also forwarded to Road Supervisor.

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-----Original Message-----

From: David & Donna Glidewell [mailto:glidewell@montana.com]
Sent: Tuesday, July 03, 2007 5:49 PM
To: Glenda Wiles
Subject: Severe road problems - Middle Bear Creek Road

I know that most of the roads in Ravalli county are in poor repair - some parts have chuck holes that would swallow a VW, parts of Middle Bear Creek Road have washboards (perpetually) that loosen suspension parts on the cars that routinely travel it. One major problem that should be easily corrected is the extremely heavy (literally and figuratively) truck traffic on the segment of Middle Bear Creek Road between Tushapaw and Red Crow. Huge dump trucks travel between Harris gravel pit and Red Crow create massive dust problems - both from the road and blowing dirt from the truck loads. In addition to the many taxes we pay for road/bridge (don't know where that goes), we must pay hundreds more for dust abatement. Those trucks limit the effective life of the dust abatement investment from us and our neighbors. A simple solution is proposed - require the trucks to exit Tushapaw on to Meridian and then to the paved Bear Creek Road and avoid Middle Bear Creek Road altogether. This would reduce the dust, road repair and perhaps a few of the safety problems. If not, then the trucks or pit should accept responsibility and maintain an effective/dust abated road surface (and exercise better speed control/exercise more driving caution).

Regards,
David Gildewell and family
2040 Middle Bear Creek Road
Victor, MT